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SUBJECT: SHOOTINGS ON JERUSALEM-WEST BANK SEAM: 2
PALESTINIAN MILITANTS DEAD, 2 ISRAELI GUARDS INJURED

- 11. (SBU) According to Israeli police and Arabic-language press, two al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades militants (both East Jerusalem residents) shot at Israeli Border Police and contract security guards near the Shaykh Sa'ad checkpoint in Jerusalem o/a 2020 May 26. Nearby Border Police guards returned fire and killed both militants. One Border policeman and one Israeli contract guard were injured. A Palestinian bystander near the checkpoint was also killed in the exchange of fire, shot by the militants according to Israeli police. West Bank al-Aqsa Brigades cells claimed responsibility for the attack.
- 12. (U) Note: Shaykh Sa'ad, northeast of Sur Bahir on the southeast edge of the 1967 expanded Municipal boundaries, is divided into Jerusalem and West Bank sections by the separation barrier, with a small checkpoint allowing foot travel (not vehicles) for Jerusalem ID card holders and those with special permits to cross between sections. End Note. WALLES